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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This communication responds to an Office Action dated February 27, 2004 in the above-identified patent application.

In the Office Action the Examiner requires restriction to one of the following inventions:

Group I.

Claims 1-11, drawn to a device; and

Group II.

Claims 12-30, drawn to a method.

Applicants hereby elect to pursue the Group II claims, claims

12-30.

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